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MEETING OF MONDAY JUNE 6, 2005 AT 2:00 PM

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER
111 NW FIRST STREET

18th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 2

AGENDA

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Meeting of May 9, 2005

III. MPO COMMITTEES UPDATE

- A. CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)
- B. BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)
- C. TRANSPORTATION AESTHETICS REVIEW COMMITTEE (TARC)
- D. FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FTAC)

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- A. **FY 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE FY 2006-2010
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (*MPO SECRETARIAT*)
- B. **TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL
UPDATE OF THE FY 2006-2010 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
(*MDT*)
- C. **MPO GENERAL PLANNING CONSULTANT (GPC) WORK ORDER**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE SCOPE OF WORK
AND BUDGET FOR THE W 137TH AVENUE STUDY FROM SR 836 TO US-
1(*MPO SECRETARIAT*)
- D. **VANPOOL PROGRAM CONTRACT EXTENSION**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO
EXTEND FOR ONE YEAR THE EXISTING CONTRACT BETWEEN THE
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) AND VPSI, INC.,
TO PROVIDE VEHICLES, MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT
SERVICES FOR THE SOUTH FLORIDA VANPOOL PROGRAM (*MPO
SECRETARIAT*)
- E. **MPO SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET: TECH CENTERS STUDY**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF MPO SCOPE OF WORK
AND BUDGET TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON SATELLITE
WORK (TECH) CENTERS (*MPO SECRETARIAT*)

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. METRORAIL-COCONUT GROVE CONNECTION STUDY
- B. SOUTH MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT CORRIDOR (SOUTH LINK) :
DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES
- C. BUS RAPID TRANSIT OPPORTUNITIES STUDY: PRELIMINARY
RESULTS
- D. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CREATING THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA
TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL (TPC)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA**

MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2005

2:00 P.M.

CONFERENCE ROOM 18-2

SUMMARY MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Jose Luis Mesa, TPC Chairperson.

The following members were present at the beginning of the meeting:

1. Gary Donn, Florida Department of Transportation, District VI
2. Javier Rodriguez, Florida Department of Transportation District VI
3. Servando Parapar, Miami Dade Expressway Authority (MDX)
4. Aristides Rivera, Miami-Dade Public Works Department (PWD)
5. George Navarrete, Miami Dade Transit (MDT)
6. Gary Wohlforth, Dade League of Cities
7. Jorge Hernandez, City of Hialeah
8. Lilia Medina, City of Miami
9. Bhairvi Pandya, City of Miami Gardens
10. Jeff Geimer, City of North Miami
11. Bruce Offord, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)
12. Jonathan Roberson, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA)

The sign-in sheets listing staff and other visitors present at the meeting are available on file at the MPO Secretariat. A recorded tape of the meeting is also available at the MPO Secretariat.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Mesa informed the Council that Information Item V.D Earlington Heights-Miami Intermodal Center was added to the agenda at the request of Miami-Dade Transit.

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the agenda as amended. Mr. Parapar seconded the motion. The agenda as amended was approved unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the minutes for May 9, 2005 meeting. Mr. Donn seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. MPO COMMITTEES UPDATE

A. CITIZEN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)

No report given on this item.

B. BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

No report given on this item.

C. TRANSPORTATION AESTHETICS REVIEW COMMITTEE (TARC)

No report given on this item.

D. FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FTAC)

No report given on this item.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. FY 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE FY 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MPO SECRETARIAT)

Mr. Carlos Roa, MPO Project Manager, informed the Council that the Citizen's Version of the TIP was distributed for their perusal. In addition, he stated that this document will be distributed to citizens.

Mr. Donn moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Rivera seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

B. TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE FY 2006-2010 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT)

Mr. Mario Garcia, MDT, provided the Council with a brief overview of the proposed Transit Development Program. He reminded the Council that the activities reported in the document were based on the December 31, 2004 cut-off date. He concluded by informing the Council that a correction sheet for the TDP was distributed at the beginning of the meeting. *(A copy of the distributed sheet is available at the MPO Secretariat).*

Mr. Roberson asked if the comments from the community meetings were used within the document. Mr. Garcia responded that the comments from these meetings reflect the PTP improvements and used where appropriate.

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

C. MPO GENERAL PLANNING CONSULTANT (GPC) WORK ORDER

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE NW/SW 137TH AVENUE STUDY FROM SR 836 TO US-1 (MPO SECRETARIAT)

The Council requested that the study's direction be listed as NW/SW 137th Avenue instead of West 137th Avenue.

Mr. Parapar moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Rivera seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

D. VANPOOL PROGRAM CONTRACT EXTENSION

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO EXTEND FOR ONE YEAR THE EXISTING CONTRACT BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) AND VPSI, INC., TO PROVIDE VEHICLES, MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE SOUTH FLORIDA VANPOOL PROGRAM (MPO SECRETARIAT)

Mr. Jesus Guerra, MPO Project Manager, provided the Council with a brief overview of the proposed Vanpool Program Contract Extension.

Mr. Mesa requested that the Vanpool brochure be e-mailed to Council members for their information.

Mr. Geimer moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Navarrete seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

E. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF MPO SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON SATELLITE WORK (TECH) CENTERS (MPO SECRETARIAT)

Mr. Jesus Guerra, MPO Project Manager, informed the Council that the proposed study will be done through an interlocal agreement between the MPO and the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR). He concluded by stating that a revised scope of work and budget was distributed prior to the meeting for the Council's approval. *(A copy of the distributed revised scope of work and budget are available at the MPO Secretariat).*

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Yoder seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. METRORAIL-COCONUT GROVE CONNECTION STUDY

Mr. Wilson Fernandez, MPO Project Manager, introduced the study's consultant Mr. Winston Harris of Reynolds, Smith and Hill, Inc. who provided the Council with a brief PowerPoint presentation on the Metrorail-Coconut Grove Connection Study.

Mr. Geimer asked if the researched aerial systems operated over residential areas. Mr. Harris responded that the system in Medellin, Colombia travels over residential areas.

Mr. Geimer stated that phase II of the study should research the impact the aerial system would have on the residential area that it will travel over.

Mrs. Medina stated that this study was divided into two phases. She further stated that phase II needs to proceed in order to determine the potential ridership and right-of-way acquisition. She concluded by stating that phase I does not provide enough information to determine if the project would or would not be beneficial.

Mr. Donn stated that the ridership analysis should have been conducted in phase I prior to the elimination of modes.

The Council requested that phase II be divided into two segments. The first segment of the study should include the results from the ridership analysis and be presented to the Council at its September meeting. In addition, Mr. Geimer requested that this phase include the actual and future ridership demand for the study area.

Mr. Roberson requested that the study include the actual and future capital and operating cost for each technology researched in the study.

**B. SOUTH MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT CORRIDOR (SOUTH LINK):
DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES**

Mr. Wilson Fernandez, MPO Project Manager, introduced consultant Mr. Larry Foust of Corrandino Consulting Group who provided the Council with a brief overview of the South Miami-Dade Transit Corridor (South Link).

Mr. Navarrete requested clarity on whether the Federal Transit Administration has been informed regarding this study. Mr. Fernandez responded that the study has not begun its NEPA process. He further stated that the MPO has maintained contact with Mrs. Lynn Harris of Miami-Dade Transit.

C. BUS RAPID TRANSIT OPPORTUNITIES STUDY: PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Mr. Wilson Fernandez, MPO Project Manager, introduced consultant Mr. Michael Baltes of Mitvetek Systems, who provided the Council with a brief PowerPoint presentation on the Bus Rapid Transit Opportunities Study.

**D. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CREATING THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA
TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL**

Mr. Mesa informed the Council that this item was placed on the agenda for information only.

E. EARLINGTON HEIGHTS-MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER

Consultants from Parson Brinkenhoff, Quade and Douglas provided the Council with a PowerPoint presentation on the Earlington Heights Miami Intermodal Center (MIC). *(A copy of this presentation is available at the MPO Secretariat).*

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

VII. ADJOURNMENT: 4:00 PM